

1 THE HONORABLE JOHN C. COUGHENOUR  
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7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
8 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
9 AT SEATTLE

10 METROPOLITAN LIFE INSURANCE CO.,

11 Plaintiff,

v.

12 GERARD VAGT, *et al.*,

13 Defendants.

14 CASE NO. C17-0169-JCC

MINUTE ORDER

15 The following Minute Order is made by direction of the Court, the Honorable John C.  
16 Coughenour, United States District Judge:

17 This matter comes before the Court on Plaintiff's unopposed motion to appoint a  
18 guardian *ad litem* (GAL) for Defendant B.V., a minor. (Dkt. No. 2.) Where a minor is  
19 unrepresented in an action, the Court must appoint a GAL. Fed. R. Civ. P. 17(c)(2); Local Rule  
20 17(c). Therefore, the Court finds that appointment of a GAL is appropriate in this case to  
21 represent B.V.'s interests and the motion is GRANTED. The Court ORDERS the parties to meet  
22 and confer and submit to the Court three candidates for a GAL. These candidates shall be  
23 suitable, disinterested persons with the requisite knowledge, training, and expertise to perform  
24 the duties required to protect B.V.'s fiduciary and legal interests in this case. The parties are  
25 DIRECTED to submit the list of candidates to the Court on or before March 31, 2017.

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1 DATED this 2nd day of March 2017.

2 William M. McCool  
3 Clerk of Court

4 s/Paula McNabb  
5 Deputy Clerk